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DECLARATION OF Toshiro SONE

I, Toshiro SONE, am the fifth-named inventor of the above-identified application which is the national phase of International PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/00856, filed 16 February 2000.

It has been brought to my attention that my first name was spelled incorrectly in the International application due to an error in translation. Specifically, my first name was spelled "Toshio". My true and correct name is Toshiro SONE, which has been set forth on the Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition filed herewith.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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